

Citronella, Odomas - Plant



A very common solution is citronella. Some suggest planting the citronella plant next to your patio to keep mosquitoes away.

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Description

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Citronella oil is one of the essential oils obtained from the leaves and stems of different species of Cymbopogon. The oil is used extensively as a source of perfumery chemicals such as citronellal, citronellol, and geraniol. citronella plant is not the plant that produces citronella oil – the active ingredient in citronella candles. The picture above shows the citronella plant; also called Pelargonium citrosum. This geranium is unrelated to the true citronella. Not only that but the scientific name of the plant is not even recognized as a valid name. It is a geranium (ie Pelargonium) and it sort of smells like citronella. It even has some of the same aromatic chemicals found in citronella, but it is a different plant.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Horse balm	Light yellow	August to September	2.00 to 4.00 feet	Easy to grow

Planting and care

Mosquito plant is actually a scented geranium. The plant produces a pretty pinkish colored blooms in summer. Plant in spring after the danger of frost has passed and the soil has warmed, about the same time you plant tomatoes.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Part shade	Well-drained soil	Keep soil moist throughout the growing season.	32/27°C	Apply any organic fertilizer

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- Select a location with a little afternoon shade, and space plants 18 to 24 inches apart.

Typical uses of Citronella

Special features: Best grown in woodland, native plant or wildflower gardens.

Ornamental use: The plant is used for ornamental purpose. Its generally kep indoor in living room and in terrac area.

References

- <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org>
- <https://bonnieplants.com>